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A BANK ROBBED.

Masked Men Raid a Bank at Limestone, I. T.

One Robber Shot, Another Hanged and Two Jailed.

About eleven o'clock Saturday, at Limestone, Indian Territory, four masked men, all heavily armed, rode up to the door of the Citizens' Bank and dismounted. The leader entered the bank, and presenting a pistol at the head of the cashier, W. T. Reynolds, demanded that he turn over the cash on hand. While pretending to comply Reynolds slammed the door of the safe to and turned the lock. He was at once laid out by a bullet from the pistol of one of the desperadoes, which struck him above the heart, killing him instantly.

The bank was then ransacked and all the money in the cash drawer, some \$2,300, was taken. An attempt was made to open the safe, but in this the robbers were foiled. As the sound of the pistol shot was heard several people came running toward the bank to ascertain the cause of the trouble. They were fired upon by three of the men who were on guard and retreated to get arms. In a few moments the town was aroused and twenty or thirty armed men hurried toward the bank.

The robbers were just mounting their horses and a hot fire started, in which one of the robbers, Thomas Evans, was killed outright, being shot several times in the head and body. He was identified as a ranchman, living near town. In the melee four citizens were wounded, but not fatally, two receiving shots through the arms and two others being slightly wounded in the lower extremities.

The three surviving robbers then rode away with the booty captured. An examination of the bank discovered the body of the dead cashier, and a posse of pursuers was soon upon the trail of the flying outlaws, who were riding rapidly in the direction of Atoka. After about an hour's hard pursuit they were surrounded, captured and taken back to Limestone, where Judge Lynch was called on to hold court.

The three men were tried. The leader was found guilty of the murder of Reynolds and forthwith strung up. The other two were placed in charge of a strong guard and started for Fort Washita, where they were turned over to the United States authorities. The stolen money was recovered.

The robbers were all citizens and cattle ranchers of the near neighborhood, and this is not the first time that crime has been traced to their doors. A brother of Evans was found stealing cattle last spring and hanged by the vigilantes, while another brother is now awaiting trial for highway robbery in the Cherokee Nation in February, 1887, and is in jail at Fort Smith, Ark.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

PAUL DU CHAILL, the great explorer, has gone to live in London.

MILLIONAIRE HUNTINGTON used to peddle butter to the California miners.

JAMES G. BLAINE has arrived at Venice. He will remain there for some time.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER's personal tax in Lowell, Mass., was \$3,061.21 last year.

THE Duke of Edinburgh has an unenviable reputation for parsimony throughout Europe.

SENATOR KENNA, of West Virginia, is rejoicing over the birth of his sixth child—a boy.

THE Duc d'Orleans, son of the Comte de Paris, is going to India to serve in the British army.

MISS PHEBE COUSINS is the independent prohibition candidate for Governor of Missouri.

MRS. GENERAL GRANT has gone to Washington to pay a visit to Senator and Mrs. Leonard Stanford.

MR. TALMAGE, it is said, dictates his sermons to a short-hand Secretary at the rate of 150 words a minute.

CONGRESSMAN FISHER, of Michigan, contributed 200 sacks of flour to the poor of West Bay City, Mich.

SENIORITA AMANDA D. DIAZ, daughter of President Diaz of Mexico, was married recently to Senor De La Torre.

LEO XIII, always dines alone. No one ever receives higher honor than to be invited to partake a cup of coffee.

QUEEN VICTORIA, like Frederick the Great, of Prussia, cannot abide little soldiers. She admires big six or seven footers.

THE late Senator MacMaster, by his last will and testament, bequeathed \$300,000 toward the endowment of a Baptist university.

GENERAL ALFRED TERRY, who is suffering from rheumatic gout and who was ordered to Florida by his physicians, has arrived at St. Augustine.

ISAAC PITMAN has been presented with a valuable medal in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of his invention of the art of phonography.

THE Emir of Afghanistan has fallen in love with bagpipes and has ordered 200 of them for Kabul. The Shah of Persia has also ordered a brass band.

KING HUMBERT is a keen sportsman and largely patronizes the genuine English fox-hunting that has been introduced into Italy by Prince John Borghese.

ALBERT KEEP, the President of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, comes of a family of seven brothers, each of whom has made himself a millionaire by his own exertions.

JAY GOULD paid \$200,000 for his country home on the Hudson, and it is said to cost him \$400 a day, or nearly \$150,000 a year. It embraces almost a square mile of land, ninety-five acres of which is lawn.

A FRIEND of Mr. Blaine says he intends to make copious notes of his coming trip through Italy, Greece, Turkey, and Asia, and that he will be prepared to write a book about these countries when he returns.

N. K. FAIRBANK, the wealthy Chicago lard man, frequently makes the boast that he can lay a brick as well as a first-class working mason can. He was a mason's apprentice when a boy and learned his trade well.

THE Chicago Tribune says that "Mrs. Parana Stevens, who owns the Victoria Hotel in New York, was in her girlhood a waiter girl in a Lowell restaurant, while her husband began life as a stable boy. She is now worth \$6,000,000, and her hotel is headquarters for the English aristocracy in the country."

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Eastern and Middle States.
EDWARD COFFEY, under sentence of death at Pittsburgh, Pa., cut his throat, inflicting a fatal wound.

COAL has gone up to \$8 per ton in Philadelphia.

DIPHTHERIA is raging in forty out of the two hundred families at Rittersville, Penn.

JOHN GORDON committed suicide in New York by jumping through a heavy plate glass, lacerating his body fearfully and falling forty feet to the sidewalk.

JAMES MARTIN, an inmate of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Erie, Penn., was frozen to death while on leave of absence.

CAPTAIN SAMUEL WATTS, of Boston, one of the heaviest shipowners in the United States, has in the past few weeks lost three fine ships in rapid succession. The value of each ship was not less than \$100,000.

DANIEL DRISCOLL was hanged in the New York Tombs prison on Monday for the murder of a young woman named Bezzie Garrity.

THE boiler of the tug Zouave exploded in New York Harbor and scalded four men, one fatally.

FIFTY members of Peter Cooper Post, G. A. R., were arrested in New York City for marching in the streets with the body of a comrade.

SMALL-POX is epidemic at Brooklyn, N. Y., the hospital containing thirty patients and the average each day being ten new cases.

THE striking Reading miners have petitioned the Legislature to seize the mines by right of "eminent domain" and operate them for the best interests of all.

WILLIAM DEMPSEY, a Brooklyn printer, dropped dead during a prize fight with "Swipes the Newboy," at Fort Hamilton, N. Y.

South and West.

FOURTEEN Chinamen were drowned off Washington Territory while attempting to smuggle themselves into the United States.

FRANK M. IRWIN, Register of Birmingham, Ala., is short in his accounts \$10,000, and missing.

A PASSENGER train near Coatesville, Iowa, was derailed and thirteen persons injured.

A SLED, with fifty-two passengers, collided with another sled in Kansas City, Mo., and seventeen people were injured.

RECEIVERS have been appointed at Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory, for the Union Cattle Company, the largest concern of its kind in the West. Assets reported, \$3,000,000; liabilities, \$1,250,000.

ROBBERS, led by a former member of Jesse James' gang, attempted to rob the train at Missouri City, Mo., but the sheriff got wind of the affair in time to repulse the desperadoes, and captured the entire band.

GOVERNOR SEMPLE has signed the act granting suffrage to the women in Washington Territory, but exempting them from jury duty.

SEVEN children, four of them sisters named Williams, were skating near Ennis, Tex., when two of the sisters and a young man fell through the ice. Seeing their danger, the other two sisters, aged nine and thirteen, went to the rescue, accompanied by their young brother, but they, too, fell in and the entire party were drowned.

REPORTS come from the wheat districts of Texas to the effect that in many countries every field of winter wheat has been destroyed.

THE home of Frank Smith, at Lima, Ohio, was burned, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith and their five children were roasted alive.

IN a fight at Moose Canyon, Cal., for the possession of a farm, between Lewis Stone, assisted by the Sheriff, and a family of Goons, three persons were killed and two desperately wounded.

MRS. OLNEY, of Vanderbilt, Mich., murdered her six-months old child by throwing it under the cars.

BAKER and Hitt, two Arkansas farmers, quarrelled while laying off a farm for their son and daughter, who were to be married, and fatally wounded each other with bowie knives.

THE latest reports place the number of victims of the blizzard in the Northwest at 235.

WHILE the mercury was 56 below zero a rickety frame boarding house took fire at Tower, Mich., and fourteen inmates perished.

MRS. ELIZA BALLOU GARFIELD, the aged mother of the late President James A. Garfield, died a few days ago at Mentor, Ohio. She was born in New Hampshire in 1801.

WALTER L. GIBSON, ex-Prime Minister under King Kalakaua, of the Sandwich Islands, died at San Francisco, Cal.

AT Marysville, Kansas, two passenger coaches and the mail and express cars were thrown off a high embankment, rolling over twice in the descent. Eleven passengers were injured, three fatally.

Washington.

MR. LAMAR was sworn in as Justice of the United States Supreme Court on Wednesday, and immediately thereafter took his seat upon the bench. This was the first time that the Supreme Court sat with a full bench since May 4, 1885.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND and wife have accepted an invitation to attend the Commencement at Cornell University next June.

A RECEPTION and banquet was given to Commander in Chief Rea by the G. A. R. at Washington.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND is said to be strongly in favor of holding the next Democratic National Convention in New York City, and it is reported that a majority of the Democratic National Committee are of the same view.

THE postoffice officials have decided to change the color of the four-cent stamp, with General Grant's head on it, from green to bright vermilion.

SPEAKER CARLISLE said he would walk out of the House rather than submit to the reopening of the Thoebe-Carlisle election contest.

Foreign.

THE German Reichstag voted to increase the army by 700,000 men.

A CONVOY of Russian prisoners mutinied, and a desperate fight ensued. Ten soldiers and thirty-one prisoners were killed. Twenty-one prisoners escaped.

DURING a fog off Skerries, Ireland, the Norwegian bark Freidis was run down and sunk, thirteen of the crew being drowned.

THOUSANDS of people are starving in Turkey, and the Missionaries appeal for aid.

FATHER RYAN was released from Limerick (Ireland) jail in the presence of 10,000 sympathizers.

FOUR thousand workmen were drowned in China while attempting to check the disastrous Hoangho floods.

EIGHT persons committed suicide in one day in Vienna.

TEN THOUSAND people are reported to be starving in Asia Minor.

REAR ADMIRAL LOUIS HUTTON VERNER, of the British navy, suicided at Falmouth, England.

A POWDER magazine exploded at Amby China, killing 300 Chinamen.

COMMANDANT BRASSEUR, a French veteran of the Franco-Prussian war, is dead.

A CENTENARY celebration was held in London in honor of Lord Byron, this poet.

BIG BEAR, the accomplice of R. I. the Canadian rebel, and the chief who led the Frog Lake massacre, is dead.

ARCHBISHOP RYAN presented President Cleveland's gift to the Pope, who spoke in complimentary terms of American institutions.

A DISASTROUS fire in the business centre of Montreal, Can., destroyed property valued at \$500,000. Several firemen were frozen stiff, and the water froze so quickly after being thrown from the hose that it was almost impossible to check the flames.

LATER NEWS.

JOHN F. KELLY has succeeded John G. Gopill as Postmaster at Jersey City, N. J.

FIRE at Philadelphia destroyed the millinery establishments of Marks Brothers and Adolph Heller, causing a loss of \$1,000,000.

AT Baxterville, N. Y., two passenger coaches were derailed and rolled down an embankment, fatally injuring four persons.

In many parts of New England and the Middle States the weather has been the coldest experienced in years, the thermometer registering all the way from ten to thirty degrees below zero.

PRESIDENT CORBIN, of the Reading Road, and the striking unions have issued statements defining their position. Each side refused to yield.

THE doors of the First National Bank, of Auburn, N. Y., were closed on Monday, pending an examination of its affairs.

Cashier Charles O'Brien and the bookkeeper, Elmer E. Moore, had fled, and there were rumors of a heavy deficit caused by lending funds on insufficient security.

OLIVER SEWARD, a steamboat engineer at Covington, Ky., killed his stepson, Garrett Spaulding.

THE United States Supreme Court denied the appeal of Maxwell, the murderer of Preller at St. Louis, and he must hang. Both murderer and his victim are Englishmen.

THE Senate in secret session ratified a commercial treaty with Guatemala.

THE President has nominated Marshall McDonald of the District of Columbia to be Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries; John W. Ross to be Postmaster at Washington, and John Blair Hoge to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia.

LOUISE MICHEL, the notorious French Communist, was fired upon and wounded twice while speaking at an Anarchist meeting in Havre. Her assailant was arrested.

WILLIAM W. LAWSON, a prominent politician of Buffalo, N. Y., fell off a ladder and was killed.

EDWARD COFFEY died from self-inflicted wounds while confined at Pittsburgh, Penn., for murder.

CHARLES G. GARRISON is appointed to succeed the late Joel Parker on the New Jersey Supreme Court bench.

GEORGE W. KNOOR, a wealthy miser of Philadelphia, Penn., died of starvation.

FIFTEEN citizens of Crawford County, Indiana, engaged in a general fight, in which W. E. Moore was fatally and William Cunningham seriously shot. Bert Brown's skull was crushed.

THE main which supplies Lima, Ohio, with natural gas has burst, entailing great suffering from cold on the citizens.

JOHN T. ALLEN, ex-State Treasurer of Texas, is dead. He left \$300,000 to found an industrial school for boys at Austin.

A SKATING party consisting of Count Gregor, of the Russian Legation, Dr. Dickson, of the Navy, Richard Peters, and three ladies, all prominent Washington society people, fell through the ice on the Potomac and were with difficulty rescued from drowning by the Navy Yard Patrol.

VISCOUNT DAS NOGUEIRAS, the Portuguese Minister at Washington, is dead.

JOHN BRIGHT has written a letter denouncing Gladstone and his latter-day methods.

THERE is a deficit of \$350,000 in the Manitoba Treasury.

HAVANA, Cuba, is in a state of turmoil, owing to the incompetency and tyranny of Captain-General Marin and his officials. On Sunday there were twelve murders, one suicide, eight highway robberies, and four stabbing affrays in Havana and Cardenas.

ALL DEAD BUT ONE.

More Inhuman Butcheries in the McCoy-Hatfield Feud.

A Charleston (W. Va.) dispatch says: The climax has at last been reached in the inhuman record of butcheries that have made the bloody feud between the Hatfields, of Logan County, W. Va., and the McCoy's, of Pike County, Ky., the most revolting record of crime ever known in these regions. Word has just reached here that on Thursday night last a raid was made by the Hatfield gang on the house of Sim McCoy, a brother of Randall McCoy, whose house had been burned several weeks ago, and a number of his family killed. Determined this time to wipe out the balance of the McCoy tribe, the Hatfield butchers surrounded the house in great numbers during the night and proceeded to storm out McCoy and his family. They first secured the wife of McCoy, whom they led to a tree and securely bound with ropes. By her side they placed her eldest son and riddled them both with buckshot, while the father was covered with revolvers by the other part of the gang. This part of the inhuman programme over they next placed Sim McCoy and his two youngest children in the house, fastened them securely to prevent escape, and deliberately burned them to ashes in their home.

No arrests have been made, for the victorious Hatfields are strongly barricaded in a mountain fortress in the wilds of West Virginia, and would make short work of a sheriff's posse.

This bloody feud, which seems to have ended with the extermination of the McCoy's, root and branch, began several years ago, when one of the Hatfields had a fatal encounter with a McCoy on the Kentucky side of the river. A Hatfield was stabbed, and his relatives swooped down on the McCoy's, took them captive and held them prisoners until Ellison Hatfield, who they had stabbed, died, when the Hatfields conveyed the three McCoy boys to the scene of the altercation, stripped them, tied them to a paw-paw bush, shot them to death, and left their bodies in that position.

TWO TRAGEDIES.

One On the Land, the Other On the Sea.

Miners Die By Firedamp---Starvation in a Lifeboat.

A frightfully fatal explosion has occurred in No. 5 pit of the Wellington collieries, Victoria, British Columbia, by which upward of fifty lives were lost.

An eye witness states that he was about one hundred yards from the pit when he heard a report like that of a large cannon, and there instantly shot far into the air a dense mass of black smoke and dust, which converted the snow-covered ground into an inky deposit. When this subsided a portion of the fan house had been destroyed, as well as the wood work in the shaft. Manager Bryden immediately proceeded to repairing the fan house, which was quickly accomplished, and the fan started again.

The shaft timbers were destroyed so that cages could not be used, but pulleys and ropes were immediately prepared for the work of rescue. The first man to come out of the pit had climbed by means of the cage wire cable through the shattered timbers to within one hundred feet of the top. A rope was then lowered to him, and he reached the surface in an exhausted condition.

A second miner was also enabled to get out by this perilous method, but a third, when fifty feet from the top, loosed his hold, and fell to certain death at the bottom of the shaft. Two men were then lowered as a search party, and they returned, stating that nothing could be heard but calls from below.

Fortunately the mine had not fired, so danger from this source was averted. A temporary cage was made and lowered to a considerable depth, the miners climbing to it by means of ladders, so that at 1 o'clock 103 of the 100 men in the mine had been rescued.

One white man, Robert Williams, the unfortunate who fell, was taken out dead. The explosion took place in the last level, and in this twenty-five white miners and a number of Chinese were imprisoned. Fears that they were all killed were verified later, for at five o'clock all the white men were carried to the surface dead, and the work of taking out the Chinese was begun.

Ten Days In an Open Boat.

Among the passengers who arrived in New York on the steamship San Marcos from Havana were seven of the crew of the bark D. Chapin, of Boston, which had foundered at sea a few days since. The survivors were adrift in a boat about ten days without food or water. Captain W. C. Hull, the cook and a seaman perished from hunger and privation, and the rest got so desperate that they were tempted to turn cannibals. Ira W. Colbeth, the mate, told the story of their distress. The bark left Turk's Island on December 15th for Boston, with a cargo of salt. In the Christmas Day gale a giant wave stove in her waist all of a sudden and sent the men to the boat.

The ten men rowed about for three days, having almost constantly to bail out, and on the night of the third day saw a steamer pass so near that the masts were visible. After the steamer was out of sight Captain Hull became delirious, and the next morning he died. He was at once buried. On December 31 John Anderson, the Japanese steward, died, and on New Year's day Hans Peter Peterson died. New Year's afternoon it began to rain, and in an old rubber coat and a tin can about three quarts of rain water were caught. The mate divided the water equally among the starving men, but none could be kept, as the can leaked. On the eighth day, the mate says, all were very hungry, and had terrible cramps in the stomach. On the ninth day there was a heavy wind from the east, and the oars were stuck up as sails. Fair progress was made, but no vessel was sighted. Early the next morning, however, the schooner Louis G. Rabel, from Boston for Sagua, came in sight and soon after picked up the almost exhausted men, who had to be hauled up the side with ropes. Mate Jasper, who first saw the boat, was an old schoolmate of Mate Colbeth's in Machinist, Me. The schooner landed the seven men at Sagua, whence they were forwarded to Havana. The United States Consul there sent them to New York.

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